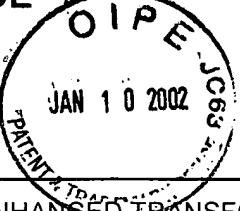


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| | | Group Art Unit | 1638 |
| | | Examiner Name | |
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RESPONSE TO NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS

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Dear Sir:

In response to the *Notice to File Missing Parts of Nonprovisional Application* mailed on 13 November 2001, copy enclosed, submitted herewith is an executed Declaration and Power of Attorney document referencing the above-identified serial number and filing date. Also enclosed is our check in payment of the following fees:

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| \$ | 740.00 | application filing fee |
| 130.00 | | declaration surcharge |
| 1,350.00 | | extra claims fee |
| \$ 2,220.00 | | TOTAL AMOUNT OF CHECK |

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 An additional copy of this transmittal letter is submitted for that purpose.

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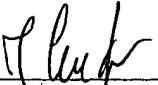
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Filing Date Granted

An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given **TWO MONTHS** from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- The statutory basic filing fee is missing.
Applicant must submit \$ 740 to complete the basic filing fee for a non-small entity. If appropriate, applicant may make a written assertion of entitlement to small entity status and pay the small entity filing fee (37 CFR 1.27).
- Total additional claim fee(s) for this application is \$1350.
 - \$1098 for 61 total claims over 20.
 - \$252 for 3 independent claims over 3 .
- The oath or declaration is missing.
A properly signed oath or declaration in compliance with 37 CFR 1.63, identifying the application by the above Application Number and Filing Date, is required.
- To avoid abandonment, a late filing fee or oath or declaration surcharge as set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(l) of \$130 for a non-small entity, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.
- **The balance due by applicant is \$ 2220.**

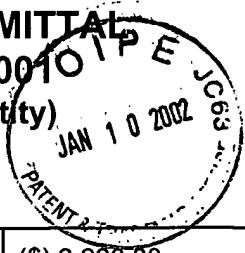
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METHOD OF PAYMENT (check one)

- The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge additional fees and credit any overpayment to Deposit Account Number 02-2135 in the name of Rothwell, Figg, Ernst & Manbeck
- Charge any Additional Fee Required Under 37 CFR 1.16 and 1.17
- Applicant claims small entity status
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FEE CALCULATION (continued)

3. ADDITIONAL FEES

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| 105 | 130 | Surcharge - late filing fee or oath | [130.00] |
| 127 | 50 | Surcharge - late provisional filing fee or cover sheet | [] |
| 139 | 130 | Non-English specification | [] |
| 147 | 2,520 | For filing a request for reexamination | [] |
| 112 | 920 | Requesting publication of SIR prior to Examiner action | [] |
| 113 | 1,840* | Requesting publication of SIR after Examiner action | [] |
| 115 | 110 | Extension for reply within first month | [] |
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| 118 | 1,440 | Extension for reply within fourth month | [] |
| 128 | 1,960 | Extension for reply within fifth month | [] |
| 119 | 320 | Notice of Appeal | [] |
| 120 | 320 | Filing a brief in support of an appeal | [] |
| 121 | 280 | Request for Oral Hearing | [] |
| 138 | 1,510 | Petition to institute a public use proceeding | [] |
| 140 | 110 | Petition to revive -unavoidable | [] |
| 141 | 1,280 | Petition to revive - unintentional | [] |
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| 144 | 620 | Plant issue fee | [] |
| 122 | 130 | Petitions to the Commissioner | [] |
| 123 | 50 | Processing fee under 37 CFR 1.17(q) | [] |
| 126 | 180 | Submission of Information Disclosure Statement | [] |
| 581 | 40 | Recording each patent assignment per property (times number of properties) | [] |
| 146 | 740 | Filing a submission after final rejection (37 CFR 1.129(a)) | [] |
| 149 | 740 | For each additional invention to be examined (37 CFR 1.129(b)) | [] |
| 179 | 740 | Request for Continued Examination (RCE) | [] |
| 169 | 900 | Request for expedited examination of a design application | [] |
| 195 | 300 | Publication fee for early, voluntary, or normal publication | [] |
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